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Attention: [REDACTED]

Subject : Contract No. [REDACTED]

Gentlemen:

The High Speed Page Printer with associated electronic equipment was delivered to this organization on May 12, 1958, for immediate evaluation. The equipment was marginally operable at the outset and with usage several troubles have been encountered. At the present time, the equipment is not in working order.

The [REDACTED] Page Printer does not meet the specifications as outlined in the proposal submitted by your firm to this organization. The specifications require the Printer to be compatible with 60 words per minute teletype operation wherein the format is controlled by Carriage Return and Line Feed symbols. With the proper digital information, the equipment should have the capability of producing page copy with varied spacing between lines such as single, double and triple spacing. The [REDACTED] Printer does not have this capability now. All copies received are printed with a single space. In addition, the proposal specified instruction books would be provided. These have not been delivered.

The Printer equipment is not presently working due to the failure of the buffer tape transport to record or playback from the 903 reader or incoming information. Other troubles found are that,

- (a) The lower two-phase servo drive motor in the 903 Reader Cabinet has a burned out bearing,
- (b) Several IN191 diodes have failed, and
- (c) The ink ribbon transport frays and wears the ribbon in an unreasonably short time.

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This letter will act as an official notification to you of the rejection of the equipment as not meeting specifications. The above conditions must be corrected by you before the Printer will be considered for acceptance by this organization.

Very truly yours,


Contracting Officer

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